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### **Applications sought for Oil and Gas Conservation Commission positions**

(BOISE) – Governor C.L. “Butch” Otter is accepting applications to fill three new positions on the Idaho Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

The Idaho Oil and Gas Conservation Commission regulates the exploration, drilling and production of oil and gas resources on private, State and federal land in Idaho. The Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) is the administrative arm of the commission.

[House Bill 301 as amended](#) recently was unanimously approved by the Legislature and signed into law, establishing a new commission to include the IDL director, three Governor-appointed technical experts and one county commissioner.

The requirements for all three appointed positions include a college degree in geosciences or engineering and at least ten years of experience in the oil and gas industry. Initially, one appointed member will serve a four-year term, one will serve a three-year term, and one will serve a two-year term. Each position will serve a four-year term thereafter.

The county commissioner must be from a county where oil and gas is being produced or has been produced within the past ten years, and he or she must be elected by a majority of the county commissioners from oil and gas producing counties. Payette County now is the only county where oil and gas production is happening.

The new commission will be in place July 1, 2017.

Applications for appointment are available online here: <https://gov.idaho.gov/admin/appointment.html>

Applications may be mailed to the Governor’s Office or emailed to [Ann.Beebe@gov.idaho.gov](mailto:Ann.Beebe@gov.idaho.gov). Applications sent via email must be received by the Governor’s Office by June 1, 2017, or postmarked by June 1, 2017, if sent by U.S. mail. Questions about the commission positions may be directed to IDL.

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